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A.—The vice-chairman is now in charge. His term expires on 1st November 1927.

(*b*), (*c*) & (*d*) The chairmanship has been thrown open to election.

Agriculture

Establishment list of the Department of Agriculture.

*859 Q.—Mr. R. Nagan Gowda: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(*a*) the names of communities represented on the staff of the College of Agriculture, Research Institute and in the district work of the Department of Agriculture and the number of men from each community; and

(*b*) the number of men among them who at any time in their lives for a period of at least three or four years earned their livelihood as cultivators working with their own hands or as agricultural labourers?

A.—(*a*) The hon. Member's attention is invited to the Annual Establishment list of the Department of Agriculture.

(*b*) The Government have no information.

Mr. R. Nagan Gowda:—"May I know if the Government cannot get the information?"

The hon. Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar:—"I don't think it will be possible. There seems to be no necessity for it."

Agricultural depots in South Kanara.

*860 Q.—Mr. J. A. Saldanha: With reference to my question No. 247, dated 27th August 1927, will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number and places of depots for sale of pure seed, improved agricultural implements, etc., in South Kanara;

(*b*) for what hours of the day they are open and who is in charge of them; and

(*c*) whether they are open every day except holidays, and if not, why not?

A.—(*a*) There are five depots, one each at the headquarters of the agricultural demonstrators at Mangalore, Mudabidri, Udipi, Puttur and Kasaragod.

(*b*) & (*c*) Sales are conducted by demonstrators when they are at headquarters and by demonstration maistris or messengers employed under the demonstrators when they are away on tour. Information regarding the hours of sales is not available with Government.

The serum simultaneous method of inoculation against rinderpest.

*861 Q.—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it has been decided to carry on a large scale the serum simultaneous method of inoculation against rinderpest;

(*b*) whether only the circle officers who are six in number have been asked to do this work;